Ubatuba vs Nero

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Hi Maurizio, Is either the ubatuba or Nero better than the other? We're building a home and have narrowed down to the two for kitchen countertops. We can't pick the fabricator - the builder has his own nexus - but we can choose the type. The Nero is a black with several flecks of grey - more charcoal grey than black. The Ubatuba is the standard I think with some gold veining (thats what the sample looked like and I'm sure that's totally irrelevant coz it could be different in the slab!) Which way would you go - in terms of quality and ease of use/care. The builder told us that the Ubatuba is more difficult in terms of getting a straight line seam. The edge is never really that smooth and it's hard to cut. Is that true? Does that make it better/worse than the Nero? Thanks! GG

Dear Gayatri:

Personally, if it were my home, I would tell the GC to have his countertops installed in his sister's kitchen. As for my own, I'll take care of it myself, thank you very much. He's the seller, I am the customer – I rule!

Having said that, under the circumstance, it's impossible for me to give you any intelligent advice, because the **only possible intelligent advice** would be to get your own fabricator and then make the selection of the stones with him or her. Anything different is a gamble, considering how much malicious doctoring on granite slabs is going on out there.

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Ciao and good luck,

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